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**Listing of Claims:**

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (New) A method for a donor to make a charitable contribution to a charitable organization, comprising the steps of:

receiving at a first Internet website an indication of interest from a donor to make a contribution to a charitable organization, the first Internet website being an Internet website of the charitable organization;

hyperlinking the donor to a second Internet website to allow the donor to make the contribution, the second Internet website not being an Internet website of the charitable organization;

providing information regarding projects of the charitable organization to the donor;

receiving a selection of a project from the donor;

providing a plurality of contribution options to the donor for the selected project, the contribution options comprising at least a gift and at least one of the following other contribution options: a sponsorship level, a membership, or a purchase of a tangible item;

providing information to the donor regarding a minimum donation amount and a tax deductible amount in conjunction with at least one of the other contribution options;

receiving a selection of a contribution option from the donor;

receiving an indication of a donation amount from the donor for the selection;

receiving payment information from the donor for the donation amount;

receiving delivery information from the donor for the selection;

providing confirmation information to the donor for the selection; and

collecting transactional data concerning the donor, the donation amount, and the selection.

1 19. (New) The method of claim 18 wherein the step of providing for the purchase of a  
2 tangible item as a contribution option comprises providing for the purchase of at least one of a  
3 report, a postcard, or a book.

1 20. (New) The method of claim 18 wherein the step of providing for the purchase of a  
2 tangible item as a contribution option comprises displaying a plurality of tangible items, the  
3 tangible items being at least a report, a postcard, or a book.

1 21. (New) The method of claim 18 wherein the step of providing a plurality of  
2 contribution options comprises providing textual information regarding at least one contribution  
3 option.

1 22. (New) The method of claim 18 and further comprising the step of providing the  
2 transactional data to the charitable organization.

1 23. (New) The method of claim 18 wherein the step of receiving a selection of a  
2 contribution option from the donor comprises receiving a plurality of selections of contribution  
3 options and, for each selection of a contribution, further comprising the steps of receiving an  
4 indication of a donation amount from the donor for each selection; receiving payment  
5 information from the donor for the donation amount for each selection; receiving delivery  
6 information from the donor for each selection; and providing confirmation information to the  
7 donor for each selection.

1 24. (New) A method for a plurality of donors to make a charitable contribution to a  
2 plurality of charitable organizations, comprising the steps of:

3 (1) for a first donor:

4 receiving at a first Internet website an indication of interest from a first donor to  
5 make a contribution to a first charitable organization, the first Internet website being an  
6 Internet website of the first charitable organization;

7 hyperlinking the first donor to a third Internet website to allow the first donor to  
8 make the contribution to the first charitable organization, the third Internet website being  
9 neither an Internet website of the first charitable organization nor an Internet website of a  
10 second charitable organization;

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11 providing information regarding projects of the first charitable organization to the  
12 first donor;  
13 receiving a selection of a project from the first donor;  
14 providing a plurality of contribution options to the first donor for the selected  
15 project for the first charitable organization, the contribution options comprising at least a  
16 gift and at least one of the following other contribution options: a sponsorship level, a  
17 membership, or a purchase of a tangible item;  
18 providing information to the donor regarding a minimum donation amount and a  
19 tax deductible amount in conjunction with at least one of the other contribution options;  
20 receiving a selection of a contribution option from the first donor;  
21 receiving an indication of a donation amount from the first donor for the  
22 selection;  
23 receiving payment information from the first donor for the donation amount;  
24 receiving delivery information from the first donor for the selection;  
25 providing confirmation information to the first donor for the selection; and  
26 collecting transactional data concerning the first donor, the donation amount, and  
27 the selection; and  
28 (2) for a second donor:  
29 receiving at a second Internet website an indication of interest from a second  
30 donor to make a contribution to a second charitable organization, the second Internet  
31 website being an Internet website of the second charitable organization;  
32 hyperlinking the second donor to the third Internet website to allow the second  
33 donor to make the contribution to the second charitable organization;  
34 providing information regarding projects of the second charitable organization to  
35 the second donor;  
36 receiving a selection of a project from the second donor;  
37 providing a plurality of contribution options to the second donor for the selected  
38 project for the second charitable organization, the contribution options comprising at least  
39 a gift and at least one of the following other contribution options: a sponsorship level, a  
40 membership, or a purchase of a tangible item;

41 providing information to the donor regarding a minimum donation amount and a  
42 tax deductible amount in conjunction with at least one of the other contribution options;  
43 receiving a selection of a contribution option from the second donor;  
44 receiving an indication of a donation amount from the second donor for the  
45 selection;  
46 receiving payment information from the second donor for the donation amount;  
47 receiving delivery information from the second donor for the selection;  
48 providing confirmation information to the second donor for the selection; and  
49 collecting transactional data concerning the second donor, the donation amount,  
50 and the selection.

1 25. (New) The method of claim 24 and further comprising the steps of providing the  
2 transactional data for the first donor to the first charitable organization and providing the  
3 transactional data for the second donor to the second charitable organization.

1 26. (New) A method for first and second charitable organizations having respective  
2 first and second Internet websites to use a central Internet website in conjunction with receiving  
3 charitable contributions from donors, the central Internet website not being an Internet website of  
4 either the first or the second charitable organization; comprising the steps of:  
5 (1) for the first charitable organization having the first Internet website:  
6 linking to the central Internet website;  
7 providing a plurality of projects of the first charitable organization;  
8 providing a plurality of contribution options for each of the projects of the first  
9 charitable organization, the contribution options comprising at least a gift and at least one  
10 of the following other contribution options: a sponsorship level, a membership, or a  
11 purchase of a tangible item;  
12 providing at least one of a description or a picture of each of the contribution  
13 options;  
14 providing a minimum donation amount and a tax deductible amount in  
15 conjunction with at least one of the other contribution options;

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16 providing an address for receiving transactional data concerning contributions to  
17 the first charitable organization; and  
18 providing a link from the first Internet website to the central Internet website to  
19 allow a donor to make a contribution to the first charitable organization; and  
20 (2) for the second charitable organization having the second Internet website:  
21 linking to the central Internet website;  
22 providing a plurality of projects of the second charitable organization;  
23 providing a plurality of contribution options for each of the projects of the second  
24 charitable organization, the contribution options comprising at least a gift and at least one  
25 of the following other contribution options: a sponsorship level, a membership, or a  
26 purchase of a tangible item;  
27 providing at least one of a description or a picture of each of the contribution  
28 options;  
29 providing a minimum donation amount and a tax deductible amount in  
30 conjunction with at least one of the other contribution options;  
31 providing an address for receiving transactional data concerning contributions to  
32 the second charitable organization; and  
33 providing a link from the second Internet website to the central Internet website to  
34 allow a donor to make a contribution to the second charitable organization.